the State pertaining to such matters, (c) The Government of Bihar had intimated that the G.E.L. Church constructed shops on the land and leased them out without the permission of the competent authority-cum-Dy. Commissioner under the Urban Land (Ceiling & Regulation) Act, 1976. Action has been initiated against G.E.L. Church for the violation of the ULC Act. Follow-up action on Recommendations on functioning of ISBT

472. SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOP MENT be pleased to refer to the reply to Starred Question 180 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 5th May, 1989 and state the results of the follow-up action taken on each of the recommendations on the functioning of ISBT?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MURASOLI MARAN): Statement indicating the recommendations and follow up action taken thereon is enclosed *[See* Appendix CLII, Annexure No. 15].

Comprehensive Crop Insurance Scheme

473. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to refer to the reply to Starred Question 276 given in the Rajya Sabha on 4th August, 1989 and state:

(a) whether while considering the case of covering the poor/marginal farmers under the Comprehensive Crop Insurance Scheme, the Expert Group had recom mended for a separate scheme for non-loanee farmers but Government had not found it feasible for implemenation; and

(b) the possible consequences of Government depriving the marginal and poor farmers, of the benefits of crop-insurance?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The marginal and poor farmers have not been deprived of the benefits of Crop Insurance. The Scheme is applicable to all -loanee farmers including small, marginal and poor. The premia, which is already low, is subsidized to the extent of 50% in the case of Small & Marginal farmers, by the Central & State Governments. Out of a total number of 5664940 farmers benefitted under the CCIS in the last three'years, 4154000 belong to the Small & Marginal category.

Changes in the Comprehensive Crop Insurance Scheme

474. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what were the modifications made in the Comprehensive Crop Insurance scheme from Kharif 1988 and Rabi 1988-89;

(b) the impact of these modifications on small and marginal farmers and other farmers, Statewise, so far; and

(c) the reaction of farmers to these modifications?

THE DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND THE MINISTER OF AGRICUL TURE (SHRI DEVI LAL): (a) and (b). The Comprehensive Crop Insurance Scheme (CCIS) was implemented with effect from 1.4.85. The modifications made in the Comprehensive Crop Insurance Scheme (CCIS) from Kharif 1988 are: (i) that the sum insured would be limited to Rs. 10,000/- per farmer irrespective of the quantum of loan taken by the Farmer; (ii) the total sum insured would be limited to 100% of the crop loan. Besides, from Rabi 1988-89, in addition to these changes, indemnity for various creps was altered as per the following:—

Category	*Variability in yield*	*Indemnity*
Low	Upto 15%	90%
Medium	16% to 30%	80%
High	Above 30%	60%

A statement containing the statewise details of number of farmers covered including small and marginal farmers, area covered (in hectares), and total sum insured in various states during Kharif 88